

Meeting Minutes

North Community Liaison Group (NCLG)

Date	27/05/2022	Time	10am
Chair	Jeni Coutts	Meeting no.	4 of 2022
Location	Montmorency RSL	Minute taker	Elizabeth Patena

Attendees

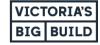
Attendees					
Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation		
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Independent Chair	Louisa Rendina (LR) Senior Manager, Community Partnerships	NELP		
Stephen Paul (SP)	Community Representative	Allan Hunter (AH)	Community Representative		
Paul Bellis (PB) Transport Planning & Advocacy Coordinator	Banyule City Council	Chris Logan (CL) Stakeholder & Community Engagement Manager	СРВ		
Phil Emirali (PE) Senior Project Engineer	СРВ	Kat Meulen (KM) Senior Manager, Community Engagement & Partnerships	Spark		
Ryan Lucas (RL) Project Manager – Greensborough Road	Spark	Elizabeth Patena (EP) Senior Communications and Stakeholder Relations Advisor	NELP		
Claudine Ledwidge-O'Reilly (CLO) Senior Communications & Stakeholder Relations Advisor	NELP	Scott Lambert (SL) Senior Communications & Stakeholder Relations Advisor, Enabling Works	NELP		

Apologies				
John Pompei (JP)	Community Representative	Adriano Murone (AM)	Community Representative	
Michelle Giovas (MG)	Community Representative	Mark Judge (MJ) Manager Project Integration & Assurance	VicRoads	

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Name	Organisation	Name	Organisation		
Mick Marcevski (MMa)	VicRoads	Sarah Maguire (SM)	Watsonia Traders representative		
Remo Marinucci (RM)	Community Representative	Michelle Molinaro (MM)	Community Representative		

Key discussion points/decisions

Owner	Action
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Welcome and outstanding business
	• The Chair welcomed the group to the fourth meeting for 2022.
	• The Chair requested that participants RSVP before the meeting. Late apologies were requested to send Natalie Pearson a text message or email.
	• Project folders handed out to all members include hardcopies of the Eastern Freeway works overview (April 2022), Fold out project map (October 2021), Urban Design and Landscape Plan: Watsonia to Rosanna and Bulleen to Balwyn North, Tunnel Boring Machine Preparation works update May 2022) and kids activity sheets.
	Outstanding issues and actions itemised (see below table).
Chris Logan (CL)	CPB Early Works update
Phil Emirali (PE)	• CPB provided an overview of works in Borlase Reserve, the Nell Street to Rasheda Street service relocation works, the Watsonia Station mobile phone tower works, the Watsonia Road gas works and their engagement with the community.
	• CL: Borlase Reserve reinstatement and handover to Spark. The Pressure Reducing Station (PRS) has been commissioned. Final palisade fencing underway and landscaping due to be completed in mid-June. CPB is down to the final stages and dealing with any outstanding actions from residents.
	• PE: Nell Street to Rasheda Street service relocations. Telstra continuing to install telecommunications conduit and manholes from Longmuir Road to Rasheda Street, Watsonia. Temporary road closures have occurred to install the conduits. Residents impacted are actively being door knocked and managed on site by Telstra. The last 200 metres to be finished within four weeks.
	• PE: Watsonia Station mobile phone tower. Tower was installed on Monday 23 rd May. Telstra due to finish works and demobilise around June/July. Telstra own this tower and Optus co-build.
	• PE: There will be an ongoing impact to car parks at Watsonia Station until December – impacts on 54 car park spaces. 21 spaces will re-open when Telstra demobilises, these will close again when Optus moves in to complete its works.
	• CL: Several car parking spaces have been lost. CPB is in regular contact with Metro Trains Melbourne regarding this. Multiple complaints have been received from stakeholders.
	• JC: Project needs to ensure it gives the community plenty of notice of these disruptions.
	• SL: Increased demand for parking at Watsonia Station given the lack of parking at Montmorency, Greensborough due to upgrade works along the Hurstbridge Line.



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	• CL: Watsonia Road gas works. Successfully completed two weekend occupations of Watsonia Road (between Devonshire and Greensborough roads). Works have currently been paused with an anticipated restart date in the coming days/weeks. Community notification draft will be sent out once the restart date is confirmed. This work is taking up some of the car park spaces at the southern end of Watsonia Station which will become available once works are completed.					
	• CL: Communications and Engagement. Continuing to doorknock, distribute works notifications and DL flyers. Preparing for post condition surveys to go out to Borlase/Drysdale Street residents.					
	Questions and comments raised					
	• AL: Can cars be parked at AK Lines with a shuttle bus service offered between AK Lines and Watsonia Station? <i>Noted. Project to investigate this option if car parking is required at Watsonia Station in the future.</i>					
	 SP suggested works be done during school holidays as train station car parks aren't as busy (School holidays 25th June – 11th July). <i>Noted</i>. 					
Kat Meulen	Tunnelling package presentation					
(KM) Ryan Lucas (RL)	• KM: Introduced RL, the Spark Project Manager for the Greensborough Road realignment works.					
	• KM: Showed the latest Artists impressions in the Tunnels Package UDLP.					
	• RL: Presented the staging of works to re-align Greensborough Road. Refer to slides 21 to 27. To build the NELP tunnels, Spark will need to assemble and launch tunnel boring machines. The TBMs will be launched from the east side of Greensborough Road near Lenola Street. To make room to launch the TBMs, Spark will need to move Greensborough Road further west in Watsonia. From Monday 6 June, works will commence to realign Greensborough Road at the Watsonia Road intersection and set up of a construction compound on the eastern side of Greensborough Road. Works include:					
	 Installing traffic barriers, temporary fencing and hoarding around work areas 					
	o Removing trees and vegetation, and doing earthworks along Greensborough Road					
	 Relocating services and utilities 					
	• Constructing new pavements					
	 Completing asphalting and line marking. 					
	• RL: Greensborough Road realignment preliminary works. From Monday 20 June, the Watsonia Road car park will be permanently closed (area shown on map). Alternative parking is available at the Watsonia Shops or Watsonia Station car park. Spark will continue to work with Banyule Council and Metro Trains Melbourne to manage this. Tree removal will commence in the area around the Watsonia car park (1-2 on map) moving north from 20 June. Crews will then move to the parcel of land to the east of Greensborough Road (3-4 on map), working south towards Lenola Street and then further south to Yallambie Road. It is anticipated that tree removal through this area will be complete by Thursday 24 June. These dates are subject to planning and access approvals and subject to weather conditions.					
	• RL: Greensborough Road realignment Stage 1. From 20 June – 1 July. Works include excavation including kerb removal, installing traffic barriers (yellow lines), installation of subsurface drainage, placing base course, construction of concrete (kerb and driveways) and construction of new asphalt pavements (asphalt base and intermediate courses).					
	• RL: Some night works are expected when working near live traffic on Greensborough Road from 20 June 2022 throughout the realignment works, and for the installation of concrete barriers along Greensborough Road to enable the Watsonia site establishment works. Spark					



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		will work closely with nearby residents to manage potential impacts explore respite options during these works. Night shift hours are from 7pm to 6am.
	•	RL: Some residents may experience driveway restrictions at times when Spark is working at night. Affected residents will be notified in advance to help them plan their journeys. When working on or near residential driveways, traffic controllers will be on site to assist residents to access their properties. Driveway access will be maintained during all day works
	•	RL: Spark will work with residents and businesses on alternative parking options when temporary restrictions are in place.
	•	RL: Greensborough Road realignment Stage 2. From 4 July – 25 August. Works include excavation including kerb removal, installation of Stormwater Drainage (pits and pipes), installation of subsurface drainage, placing base course, constructing traffic signal pits and poles, construction of concrete (kerb), construction of footpaths and construction of new asphalt pavements (asphalt base and intermediate courses).
	•	RL: Greensborough Road realignment Stage 3a. From19-22 August. Works include installation of temporary barriers and traffic/ pedestrian management, excavation works to remove existing kerbs, installation of Stormwater Drainage (pits, pipes & tie-in to existing), installation of traffic signals and lighting conduits and pits, placing base course, installation of subsurface drainage, constructing street lighting and traffic signal pole foundations, construction of concrete (kerb), construction of concrete (infill concrete & NB bus stop) and construction of new asphalt pavements (asphalt base and intermediate courses). During this period intermittent night works will be required to safely preform these works and to minimise peak hour disruption on Greensborough Road.
	•	RL: Greensborough Road realignment Stage 3b. From 26-29 August. Works include traffic/Pedestrian management, asphalt overlay of wearing course, installation of line marking, barrier guards, street lighting conduits behind kerb, street lighting poles and removal of any redundant street lighting poles within project boundary and as required. Throughout this period intermittent night works will be required to safely preform these works and to minimise peak hour disruption on Greensborough Road.
	•	RL: Greensborough Road realignment Stage 4. Early September. Works include final asphalt, line-marking, commissioning, completions works and final inspections.
	•	KM: Provided an update on the site establishment works. Refer to slides 29 and 30.
	•	KM: Launch Box (teal colour on map). From 6 June, Spark will start preparing the site north of Lenola Street in Macleod, ahead of major piling and excavation work later in the year. The piles will form the support for the TBM launch box. To get ready for the arrival of the TBMs, Spark will start to secure the area where the launch box will be excavated and the surrounding compound will be built, including a large storage area. Sites will be fenced off, with machinery and materials to be brought and stored on site. This work will continue into Q3. , Spark will be fencing off the area north of Yallambie Road to construct its site office and site compounds.
	•	KM: Winsor Reserve – From 6 June, temporary fencing will be installed to secure the worksite. Timber hoarding will be installed to minimise noise and light impacts while construction of the acoustic shed takes place in late 2022. When the TBMs start tunnelling in 2024, the excavated dirt will come to the surface on a continuous enclosed conveyor system to the large acoustic shed on Winsor Reserve, where it will be safely loaded onto covered trucks and moved offsite., A new set of traffic lights with a signalised pedestrian crossing, will be installed on Greensborough Road at Winsor Reserve. Vehicles will access the site via Somers Ave until the purpose-built entry is completed in late 2022. The acoustic shed will contain the noise, dust and light spill otherwise associated with construction activities. It will be approximately 140 metres in length, 80 metres in width and 18 metres in height. The playground at the western side of Winsor Reserve and the path through to



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	Tuckfield Court will remain open for local use. While Spark will need to remove trees on Winsor Reserve to construct the shed and its access points, the large established trees on the southern and western boundaries will be retained. At least two trees will be planted for everyone removed and Winsor Reserve will be reinstated for community use at the end of construction.
	• KM: Winsor Reserve engagement - Residents and businesses were door-knocked on Thursday 19 May to provide information on site establishment, the acoustic shed and how it will operate. Residents were invited to come into the Watsonia Hub to view the UDLP images and plans, as well as to speak with technical experts if they had any questions. Spark delivered the latest TBM and Acoustic Shed Factsheet as well as the May 2022 Construction Update.
	• KM: Trader engagement - Spark will be asking local traders to complete a survey to better understand the potential impacts construction activities may have and how it can work with traders to mitigate and manage disruptions during works.Spark will connect with each of the businesses throughout the works and provide updates as well as exploring business support tools such as marketing, way finding and promotions.
	• KM: Community engagement – Spark is working with nearby residents to advise them of upcoming works and what to expect. A specific works notification was delivered specifying upcoming night works and tree removal occurring in the area. With intermittent night works required from Wednesday 15 June, Spark will work closely with residents and businesses one on one to manage impacts and explore options including providing ear plugs and temporary relocation.
	Questions and comments raised:
	 SP: Is there going to be water in Borlase Creek? UDLP process sought community feedback on how Borlase Reserve will be used by locals, and what enhancements they would like to see.
	 JC: How long is temporary realignment of Greensborough Road in place for? KM advised this will be in place for a number of years until the new Greensborough boulevard is constructed.
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Open Forum:
	 SP: The Warringal Society and other groups are concerned about the Studley Park Gums in the Simpson Army Barracks. How is the project managing these trees? <i>KM</i>: Seeds have been taken from these plants and they will be replanting like for like. As part of the project there is an obligation to ensure plants are maintained post project completion. SP: Colins Brooks MP raised concerns about Yallambie Road becoming a rat run to get onto NELP. There is concern that vehicles will go down Yallambie Road instead of traveling down Lower Plenty Road to turn right onto Greensborough Road to access the tunnel. <i>KM</i>: There is more traffic forecasting being done but Spark is still a few months away from doing a '3D modelling journey planner'. KM encouraged the group to look at the Westgate tunnel website to view the 3D modelling available: http://wgtmap.u-c.com.au/imap06/index.html
Jeni Coutts (JC)	Other business
	 JC: Confirmed next NCLG meeting will be held in person at Montmorency RSL on Friday 1 July 2022 from 10am – 12pm.
	• JC: Thanked NCLG members and presenters and closed the meeting at 10.57am.



Actions and issues register

No.	Date raised	Action/Issue	Owner	Status	Date closed
N1-2	12 November	Greensborough Historical Society (GHS) to present to CLG-North in a future meeting,	NELP	OPEN NELP will arrange	
N1-7	21 January	Request for traffic numbers to be shown at a future meeting.	NELP	OPEN More traffic data provided to the group when available.	
N2-2	4 March	JC requested future presentation on Sustainability	NELP	OPEN Will be presented in a future meeting.	
N3-4	14 April	AM: Can you please confirm the footprint of the tunnel boring launch site at Winsor Reserve?	NELP	CLOSED More detail provided in UDLP material and recent factsheets.	24.05.22

